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FM AMEMBASSY WELLINGTON

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1727

INFO PEACE CORPS, NUKU'ALOFA

UNCLAS WELLINGTON 2790

FOR S/CPR AMBASSADOR ROCKWELL FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PDIP

SUBJ: WEDDING GIFT FOR PRINCESS OF TONGA

1. THE WEDDING GIFT FROM PRESIDENT AND MRS. FORD TO THE PRINCESS OF TONGA UNFORTUNATELY ARRIVED IN MORE THAN A HUNDRED PIECES. THE PROBLEM WAS APPARENTLY INSUFFICIENT PACKING FOR SUCH A FRIGILE ARTICLE AS WELL AS ITS SHIPMENT IN AN UNMARKED POUCH. WHILE THE PRINCESS WAS MOST GRACIOUS ABOUT THE INCIDENT, I THINK IT WOULD SERVE OUR INTERESTS TO REPLACE THE GIFT.

2. MRS. MARY GEORGE, DIRECTOR OF THE PEACE CORPS IN TONGA, WILL BE IN WASHINGTON FROM ABOUT AUGUST 1-20. SHE HAS OFFERED TO HAND CARRY A REPLACEMENT GIFT FROM WASHINGTON BACK TO TONGA. PLEASE ADVISE HOW AND WHEN MARY GEORGE CAN PICK UP THE GIFT, EITHER FROM THE WHITE HOUSE OR THE DEPARTMENT, WHEN SHE IS IN WASHINGTON. THE PRESENTATION CASE DOES NOT NEED TO BE REPLACED, BUT THE PORCELAIN BASKET SHOULD BE SECURELY PACKAGED AND WRAPPED WITH PRESIDENTIAL SEA AND RIBBON.  
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